

PATENT

Application Serial No. 09/538,752
Attorney Docket No. 99-075

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: JAY S. WALKER et al.) Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
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) Group Art Unit: 3711
Serial No.: 09/538,752)
) Attorney Docket No: 99-075
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Filing Date: March 30, 2000) Customer No.: 22927
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For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR)
RESOLVING A HAND OF BLACKJACK)
THAT RESULTS IN A PUSH)



Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION
FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNAVOIDABLY UNDER 1.137(a);
or, in the alternative,
PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION
FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 1.137(b);**

Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Abandonment Under 37 CFR 1.53 (f) or (g),
Applicants respectfully request that the above referenced patent application be reinstated.

Petition for Revival of an Application for Patent Abandoned Unavoidably Under 1.137(a)

The facts provided below show the cause of the delay, and that the entire delay in filing the required reply to a Notice to File Missing Parts indicated by the Notice of Abandonment from the due date for the reply until the filing of this petition was unavoidable.

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Application Serial No. 09/538,752
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Applicants filed the present patent application with the USPTO on March 30, 2000 and received a Return Receipt Postcard (stamped with the filing date) on April 10, 2000. No Oath or Declaration was filed with the application on March 30, 2000. In accordance with standard office practice, Applicants waited to receive a Filing Receipt and a Notice to File Missing Parts from the USPTO.

A Filing Receipt mailed on May 30, 2000 was received by Applicants. Applicants filed an Information Disclosure Statement on June 30, 2000.

A Notice of Abandonment Under 37 CFR 1.53(f) or (g) mailed January 22, 2002 (copy enclosed) was received by Applicants. The Notice of Abandonment referred to a Notice to File Missing Parts with a mailing date of May 30, 2000, and indicated that Applicants' failure to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts resulted in abandonment of the application.

Applicants diligently track all correspondence received from the USPTO. Applicants' records indicate that they did not receive a Notice to File Missing Parts with a mailing date of May 30, 2000. Applicants also maintain a docket of over 300 applications pending before the USPTO alone, and did not ascertain that a Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-provisional Application had not yet been received for this application.

After receiving the Notice of Abandonment, Applicants contacted the USPTO on January 28, 2002. On February 1, 2002, Applicants received a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts by facsimile transmission. Applicants also received a new Notice to File Missing Parts with a mailing date of March 6, 2002. (Copies enclosed).

Applicants have executed the indicated missing parts. Responsive to the Notice, please find enclosed the Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application with the Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.

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Attorney Docket No. 99-075**In the Alternative, Petition for Revival of an Application for Patent Abandoned Unintentionally Under 1.137(b)**

In the event that Applicants' above Petition under 1.137(a) is not granted, Applicants respectfully submit, in the alternative, a Petition under 1.137(b) for revival for patent abandoned unintentionally.

Applicants state that the entire delay in filing the required reply to a Notice to File Missing Parts indicated by the Notice of Abandonment from the due date for the required reply until the filing of this petition was unintentional.

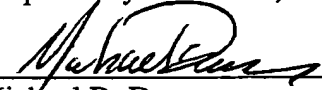
Petition Fee

Please charge \$110.00 for this petition to our Deposit Account No. 50-0271. Please charge any additional fees that may be required for the Petition under 1.137(a), or in the alternative, for a Petition under 1.137(b), or for any other reason, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0271

If an extension of time is required, or if an additional extension of time is required in addition to that requested in a petition for an extension of time, please grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this Response timely, and please charge any fee for such extension to Deposit Account No. 50-0271.

March 19, 2002
Date

Respectfully submitted,



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